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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 312

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action dated July 28, 2004. A two-month extension, up to and including December 28, 2004, in which to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. Please charge the fee for the extension to deposit account number 13-3372. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.